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Grades ...  
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Grades ...  
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Grades ...  
\$75 & \$80 **\$69.75**  
Grades ...

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Grades ...  
\$55 & \$60 **\$49.75**  
Grades ...  
\$65 & \$70 **\$55.75**  
Grades ...  
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Grades ...  
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Grades ...

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## HOBBY SHOW'S TOP PRIZE TO LUGENBEEL

Ten-Year-Old Boy Among Winners of Blue Ribbons—List of Successful Ones.

Edwin Lugenebel of Randle Highlands yesterday was awarded the most highly prized award at the hobby show, which was held in the boys' building of the Y. M. C. A. Lugenebel, who is sixteen years of age, exhibited a plaque on which the emblem of the Boy Scouts, his name and an ornamental scroll had been worked out in various-colored beads.

A silver cup went to Scout Troop No. 1 for its contribution of 119 articles made by eight members and divided into seventeen groups. Carvings, woodwork, paintings, coins, models of airplanes, boats, shells, mechanical apparatus and war souvenirs were represented.

J. H. Wagner's Collection. J. H. Wagner loaned his collection of corn products and pearl shell and cork exhibits, showing the stages of a pair of pearl cut buttons and various sized corks pass through from the original to the finished state.

Blue Ribbon Winners.

Among the blue ribbon winners were S. H. Aspinwall, aged thirteen, 1339 Wyoming avenue, posters, war buttons and modeling; George Main, aged twelve, 1812 Inglefield terrace, insects; Richard H. Woodward, 1318 Massachusetts avenue, post cards; Carlo W. Turner, aged fourteen, 421 1/2 11th street, geological specimens; Lawrence Gould, aged twelve, 114 W street, northwest, flower collection; Jerome Ludlow, aged sixteen, 2020 G street, northwest, coin collection; E. M. Ford, aged sixteen, 2136 I street, northwest, stamp collection; Hale L. Golden, aged sixteen, 916 K street, northeast, woodwork; Fred Randall, aged ten, 3295 M street, northwest, mechanical toys; Thomas McConnell, aged fourteen, 1616 22d street, northwest, wood carving; Richard H. Rule, aged sixteen, 1914 N street, northwest, models of airplanes and paintings.

I. R. Brown, associate director of boys' work, had charge of the show in its arrangement. No little credit is due E. B. Fuller, director of the department, for his supervision.

WILL STUDY THE MARKETS.

Philip S. Smith U. S. Trade Commissioner in South America.

Philip S. Smith of Schenectady, N. Y., was today appointed trade commissioner to study South American markets for industrial supplies for the bureau of commerce.

He will leave New York for Buenos Aires early in February.

## FEWER CLOTHES, LOWER COST, WOMAN'S OUTLOOK

NEW YORK, January 1.—The cost of women's clothes may be reduced considerably because there will be considerably less of them if the predictions of a fashionable 5th avenue male milliner and dressmaker, who is returning from Paris today, are correct. The latest modes France is sending to the United States, he said, are: No stockings. Extremely short skirts. No sleeves. Sandals.

## NORTHCLIFFE ARRAIGNS BRITISH COAL POLICY

Journalist Believes Friendship of Nations Should Be Shown by Assisting France.

BY EDWARD PRICE BELL. Special Cablegram to The Star and Chicago Daily News. Copyright, 1919. LONDON, December 27.—Lord Northcliffe arraigns the government's coal policy today both in the Times and the Daily Mail as inimical to friendly Anglo-French relations.

"France," he remarks, "is in the throes of a coal famine. We are suffering from only a deficiency. France had a cold Christmas; we had a comparatively warm one. French consumers pay."

"Capital Blunder."

"Sir Auckland Geddes has announced that we get our coal cheap because foreign buyers of British coal pay duty on it. Here we have a capital blunder in the sphere of statesmanship. We should relieve our great ally of the burden of the coal famine by the shortest possible time and should leave her not a vestige of reason for accusing us of profligacy."

Lord Northcliffe illustrates his deep-seated conviction that nations should have regard for one another's difficulties and needs if the world is to have permanent peace. Lord Northcliffe does not believe that any great nation henceforth can follow its own selfish line aggressively without in the end precipitating war. He has an acute sense of the responsibility of the world's newspapers for the world's peace. He bars his papers for example, not only slurs upon America, but news that would tend to create anti-American feeling in the British empire.

To Build Up Good Will.

Lord Northcliffe conceives it to be his duty as the controller of the most powerful journalistic engine ever devised to use this engine to destroy ill will and build up good will among all peoples. He declines to allow his editors to seek any journalistic triumph inconsistent with the movement for an impregnable world peace.

GERMAN PAPER SAYS U. S. WRITER BADLY TREATED

Asserts Ben Hecht Given Promises by Foreign Office Which Were Not Kept.

BY GEORGE WITTE.

By Cable to The Star and Chicago Daily News. Copyright, 1919.

BERLIN, December 26.—In connection with the scandal involving Ben Hecht, a former member of the press bureau in the German foreign office, the Berlin Lokaleinsager, under the headline, "How Wilhelm Sklarz Plays the Game," relates the experiences of Mr. Ben Hecht, staff correspondent of the Daily News here in the first half of 1919. The newspaper says:

"Mr. Hecht was not only given promises by the foreign office officials which were never kept, but was also treated discourteously, and no effort was made to assist him to get authentic news which would have been helpful to Germany. Mr. Hecht and other American correspondents objected particularly to the preference shown the British newspaper men, who were given many opportunities to get interviews and gather other information which was denied the Americans. As a result Mr. Hecht filed a complaint against Waldemar Sklarz, the man in charge of the Anglo-American section of the press bureau, but although promises were made that the mismanagement would be stopped nothing was really done to better the conditions."

Waldemar is a brother of George Sklarz, also a former foreign office official, against whom sensational graft charges have been made in connection with the government food and war material scandals. The article adds that if George Sklarz should be brought before the court interesting details revealing the connection between the two brothers and the mismanagement in the foreign office would be brought to light.

MISS PESSOA IS HONORED.

Brazilian President's Daughter Gets Gift From Belgian Rulers.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, December 26.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—Miss Laurita Pessoa, daughter of the President of Brazil, has just received from Queen Elizabeth of Belgium a brooch of pearls and brilliants, with the monograms of King Albert and Queen Elizabeth in gold and sapphires, the whole surmounted by a small royal crown of silver and brilliants. In a letter accompanying the present, the queen manifests the hope of seeing Miss Pessoa again next year. Miss Pessoa is sixteen years old.

PRINCE FAR FROM BLAST.

False Rumor of Death of Serbia's Regent Published.

PARIS, December 31.—Prince Regent Alexander of Serbia, who was reported in a Berlin dispatch to have been killed by an explosion, is in Paris and well. The whole story of his death, therefore, is without foundation.

Prince Regent Alexander has to all intents and purposes been king of the kingdom of Serbia, Croats and Slovenes since the retirement from active life of his father, King Peter of Serbia. He was appointed prince regent of the Yugoslav state in November, 1918, and represented Serbia at the peace conference.

A plot to assassinate Prince Alexander was discovered in Agrin in June, and the plotters were arrested before they had an opportunity to make an attempt against the prince's life.

Ten Million Suit by Railway.

WILMINGTON, Del., January 2.—Suit for nominal damages of \$10,000,000 has been filed in the federal district court here against the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company, Delaware corporation, by the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company of Texas, with Walker D. Hines, director general of railroads, joined.

Specific items totaling nearly six million dollars are given in the papers filed. The matter in controversy is a five-year contract for the delivery of fuel oil in specified quantities and at stipulated times. The defendants are required to file an answer by the first Monday in February, in accordance with a rule issued by the court.

Transferred to Brooklyn.

Commander Thomas H. Taylor, U. S. N., who has been in charge of naval recruiting in this city, has been assigned to similar duty in Brooklyn, N. Y.

## PLEA OF UNWRITTEN LAW IN MRS. UHL'S DEFENSE

Woman Slew Edgar B. Pownall for Refusing to Clear Her Name.

CUMBERLAND, Md., January 2 (Special).—The unwritten law will be the defense of Mrs. Kate Uhl, wife of Marvin Uhl, who stabbed to death Edgar Bryan Pownall of near Romney, W. Va., who was in the aviation service during the war, at her apartment on North Center street Wednesday. The stabbing followed Pownall's refusal to clear her name before her husband. Her attorneys, former State's Attorney David A. Robb and Saul Praeger, expressed confidence today that her acquittal would be prompt. The grand jury will take up the case January 12.

Cites Lack of Premeditation.

Mr. Robb said there was a lack of premeditation and that the woman, who is of high character and decided domestic tastes, was driven to desperation by her husband's order that she leave home, which would have meant the giving up of her three children, the youngest, a year old, not yet weaned, being in jail with its mother. There is general criticism of the action of the coroner's jury that the woman be held without bail, it being felt she should have been admitted to bond that she might go to her children.

Uhl expressed regret today over his hasty action in suspecting his wife and ordering her from home. He said he was "up in the air" when he found Pownall in her apartment, but he does not now question her fidelity. He says she is a home woman, who "loves the ground" that he walks on. Mrs. Uhl spent a restless night at jail and cats but little, but Sheriff Harvey said she was in fairly good spirits.

Pownall's Mother and Father Ill.

The body of young Pownall is still at the undertaker's, with no arrangements for the funeral. His father, Thomas J. Pownall, is ill here, and his mother is still in the hospital, ignorant of her son's tragic end. She frets over his son's tragic end. She here to be with his mother during her illness and was very devoted to her. Pownall was a fine specimen of physical manhood. Uhl says the instant he rattled the knob of the locked door his wife opened it, which was proof to him she had warned off Pownall. He says he heard the scuffle.

BIG RAILWAY PROJECTED FOR ECUADOR AND CHILE

VALPARAISO, December 2 (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—The Chilean congress has authorized the government to contract with a Chilean-Ecuadorian syndicate for the construction of an important railroad to extend eastward from Porto Bolivar, Ecuador, into Brazil, and thus give a Pacific outlet to a rich territory hitherto inaccessible.

It is proposed to extend the line about 563 miles to Porto Para, on the Amazon river basin, at a cost of about \$6,000,000 sterling.

The project has been studied by Chilean engineers, and is regarded as of vast financial, commercial and political importance. It is expected to promote commercial relations between Ecuador and Chile and to contribute greatly to the industrial and commercial development of the central part of the South American continent.

HOOPER CAFFEY DIES.

Former News Editor of Times Succumbs at San Antonio.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., January 2.—Hooper Caffey, aged thirty-eight, news editor of the San Antonio Evening News and former news editor of the Washington Times, died here yesterday.

## OBJECT TO IMPORTATION OF AUTOS INTO GERMANY

BERLIN, December 15 (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—German builders of automobiles and motor trucks are protesting at the importation into Germany of American automobiles and lorries from occupied territory. It is charged that an attempt is being made by a newly organized company to ship into Germany 18,000 cars and trucks, via Coblenz. Such a flooding of the German market, it is stated, would result in the discharge of many workers.

Change for Capt. McKenney.

Capt. John L. McKenney, Quartermaster Corps, has been relieved from duty in the office of the surgeon general in this city and assigned to duty with the War Department claims board.

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# Will Prices Come Down When Packers Unscramble?

"The consumer doesn't care a snap of his fingers about the dissolution of a trust unless it means lower prices or better quality, or both," says the New York Globe, which sees "no reason to believe that the withdrawal of the packers from all lines except meat and dairy products will benefit the consumer an iota." On the other hand, Attorney-General Palmer telegraphs THE LITERARY DIGEST that "The practical benefits to the public will come from opening up the channels of trade in food lines to competing producers and distributors of food freed from the menace of the all-powerful packers organization." The packers themselves, however, are not so confident about the effect on prices. In answer to the "Digest's" interrogation on this point Mr. J. Ogden Armour telegraphs that "it is impossible to forecast the probable effect the dissolution will have upon the high cost of living." Messrs. Louis F. Swift, Thomas E. Wilson, E. A. Cudahy, and Edward Morris practically agree with him in that conclusion.

There is scarcely any other subject that so vitally concerns the public as that covered by the leading article in THE LITERARY DIGEST for January 3rd. The "Digest" has secured statements from the highest sources representative of every angle of opinion upon the recent decision of the packers to withdraw from all lines except meat and dairy products.

Other articles of great interest in this number of the "Digest" are:—

## The Irish Republic

A Brief, But Impartial, Explanation of Irish Question, Accompanied by Map of Irish Republic Showing Result of the General Election, December, 1918.

Shipping Lenine's Friends to Him  
Lloyd George's Plan to Make Two Irelands  
Woolen Industry to Hit H. C. L.  
Nation-Wide Traction Troubles  
Why Milwaukee Insists on Berger  
Russian Complaints Against Allied Help  
Canada's Exchange Worries  
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